

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BONN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8306  
AMEMBASSY BERLIN

C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 08417

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR GE GW  
SUBJECT: GDR MFA OFFICIAL ON UPCOMING FRG-GDR  
NEGOTIATIONS

REF: BERLIN 6030

1. EMBASSY BERLIN'S ACCOUNT OF SEIDEL'S REMARKS TO THE CHARGE WAS VERY HELPFUL TO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE PENDING INNER-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH WE WILL BE FOLLOWING CLOSELY. THE SEIDEL REMARKS WERE OF INTEREST BOTH FOR THEIR CONTENT AND FOR THE FACT THAT HE WAS WILLING TO SAY AS MUCH AS HE DID.

2. WHILE WHAT SEIDEL SAID WOULD PROBABLY PRODUCE NO SURPRISES FOR THE FRG, THE FACT THAT HE SAID IT WOULD NO DOUBT BE OF INTEREST AND, CONCEIVABLY, OF ASSISTANCE TO THE FRG IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS. BEYOND THAT, WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE FRG GENERALLY INFORMED OF OUR BILATERAL CONTACTS WITH THE GDR ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL US/FRG INTEREST. IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT THE EAST GERMANS WOULD AT SOME STAGE INTIMATE TO THE FRG THAT THEY HAD BEEN TAKING SOUNDINGS WITH US.

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3. WOULD EMBASSY OR DEPARTMENT HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO OUR PROVIDING A CONFIDENTIAL BRIEFING BASED ON REFTEL TO OUR CONTACTS HERE?  
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